

Report
20th Session of the D-8 Council of Ministers
27 July 2022, Dhaka, People's Republic of Bangladesh

The 20th Session of the D-8 Council of Ministers was held in hybrid format on 27 July 2022 in Dhaka, People's Republic of Bangladesh. The meeting was chaired by the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, H.E. Dr. A. K. Abdul Momen and attended by the Ministers / Heads of Delegation from all the Member States.

The list of participants is attached as **Annex I**.

Agenda Item 1: Opening of the Meeting and welcome statement by the Foreign Minister of the People's Republic of Bangladesh.

H.E Dr. A. K. Abdul Momen, the Foreign Minister of the People's Republic of Bangladesh delivered his welcome statement.

His statement is attached as **Annex II**.

Agenda Item 2: Consideration and Adoption of the Draft Agenda

The Meeting considered and adopted the agenda of the 20th Session of the Council of Ministers Meeting

The adopted agenda is attached as **Annex III**.

Agenda Item 3: Statement and progress report on activities since November 2021 by the D-8 Secretary-General.

The D-8 Secretary-General delivered his statement and presented the report of the activities of the Organization since November 2021.

The Statement is attached as **Annex IV**.

Agenda Item 4: Statements by the Ministers of Foreign Affairs/Heads of Delegation

The Ministers of Foreign Affairs/ Heads of Delegations of Member State delivered their country statements.

The Statements are attached as **Annex V**.

Agenda Item 5- Consideration and Adoption of the Reports of 44th, 45th and Special Sessions of the D-8 Commission

The Council considered and approved the Reports of the 44th, 45th and Special Sessions of the Commission.

The approved reports are attached as **Annex VI**.

Agenda Item 6- Consideration and Adoption of the Secretariat Budget for 2022.

The Council considered and approved the Secretariat Budget for 2022 adopted by the Commission.

The approved budget is attached as **Annex VII**.

Agenda Item 7- Presentation of the Reports of the D-8 Affiliate Institutions

- a. D-8 Chamber of Commerce and Industries (D-8 CCI)
- b. D-8 International University
- c. D-8 Technology Transfer and Exchange Network (D-8 TTEN)
- d. D-8 Network of Pioneers for Research and Innovation D-8 (NPRI)
- e. D-8 Health and Social protection Programme Office
- f. D-8 Research Center for Agriculture and Food Security (Faisalabad, Pakistan)

The Secretary General presented the reports of the D-8 Affiliate bodies for consideration of the Council of Ministers.

The Council considered the reports and commended the progress of the affiliated bodies. The Council appreciated the Secretary General for his collaborative work and expressed its support for all the affiliated bodies and appreciated Iran, Nigeria and Pakistan for hosting the Bodies.

Agenda Item 8: Date and venue of the 21st Session of the D-8 Council of Ministers

The head of delegation of the People's Republic of Bangladesh will communicate the date and venue of the next Council with D-8 Secretariat in due course.

Agenda Item 9- Any Other Business

The delegate of Arab Republic of Egypt requested the people's Republic of Bangladesh for one year extension in chairmanship of the organization as Egypt is assuming the Chair of COP 27 for 2022-2023.

The Foreign Minister of People's Republic of Bangladesh expressed his country's willingness to continue chairmanship of the organization until April 2024.

Agenda Item 10 - Consideration and Adoption of the Report of 20th Session of the D-8 Council of Ministers

The Council considered and adopted the Report of its 20th Session of the Council of Ministers.

Agenda Item 11- Closing Remarks by the Chair

The Honorable Minister of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of Bangladesh delivered his closing remarks.

The Honorable Minister appreciated and thanked all the Honorable Ministers/Heads of Delegations and other delegates for the productive and fruitful discussions. He also applauded the constructive outcome of the deliberations.

Furthermore, he commended the initiatives reported by the Secretary-General and the progress recorded by the D-8 affiliated institutions. He assured the Council that the decisions taken during this session will help the Organization to move forward in its efforts to deepen cooperation among its members.

The Ministers and Heads of Delegation thanked the Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh for its excellent arrangements in hosting the 20th Session of the Council. They also appreciated the Secretariat for its excellent work.

The 20th Session of the Council was adjourned on 27 July 2022.